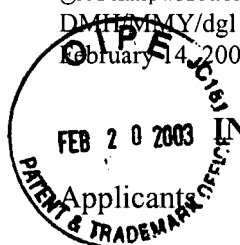


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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* not fewer than 20

** not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY		
	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$ 9	\$ 0
X	\$42	\$ 0
+	\$140	\$ 0

TOTAL = \$ 0

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY		
	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$18	\$ 0
X	\$84	\$ 0
+	\$280	\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 14, 2002 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: